(b) the total number of English and Hindi films made during the last two years, separately;

(c) the reasons for not accepting the proposal of Hindi script on Indian rivers;

(d) the decision taken on the complaints received against the Chairman of the Commission in this regard; and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken to streamline the procedure in regard to films production in the Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (e). The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Mini Stadium

1507. SHRI I.D. SWAMI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government have received a proposal from the Government of Haryana about the release of funds for the construction of a mini stadium in village Jorasi district Panipat but the money has not yet been sanctioned;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the steps taken to provide adequate funds for the project at the earliest; and

(c) the time by which the funds are likely to be provided to the panchayat of village Jorasi for the construction of mini stadium?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN R.) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c). Due to heavy commitments already made and in view of the shortage of resources, it has not been possible to consider fresh proposals during the current year. The sponsors have, therefore, been asked to apply afresh at the beginning of the IXth Plan.

Shortage of Medicines

1508. PROF. AJIT KUMAR MEHTA :
SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS :
DR. BALIRAM :
SHRI MAHESH KUMAR M. KANODIA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether poor management of resources, inadequate manpower and shortage of drugs are the major problems in Government hospitals in Delhi, particularly in Safdarjung hospital;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have considered the desirability of examining in depth the functioning and working conditions in the city's Government hospitals by an expert committee; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) and (b). A number of measures have been taken to upgrade the facilities in the Central Government hospitals by providing new equipments for diagnostics and therapeutics, supplying essential and life-saving drugs and improving patient conveniences. In the case of Safdarjung Hospital, steps have been taken to upgrade the infrastructure in various critical areas and to take up other sectors of the hospital for renovation and modernisation in a phased manner.

(c) and (d). The working of the Central Government hospitals was reviewed recently by the Standing Parliamentary Committee who gave a number of recommendations on which action have been initiated. Further, there are already committees set up by the Ministry of Health for looking into specialised problems of the individual hospitals and their requirements and functioning is also reviewed periodically and concrete action instituted where called for.

The functioning of the hospitals under the Government of N.C.T. of Delhi is periodically reviewed by that Government and appropriate measures are undertaken wherever necessary.

[Translation]

Assistance Under National Literacy Mission

1509. SHRI N.J. RATHWA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the assistance provided under the 'National Literacy Mission' during the last three years till date, State-wise;

(b) the number of men/women made literate during the above period, especially in the tribal/backward/rural/hilly areas of Gujarat State;

(c) whether the Government have made any appraisal of this scheme during the above mentioned period or propose to do so;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?